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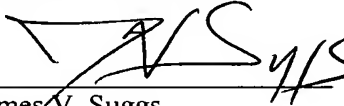
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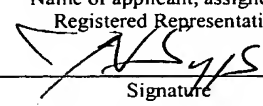
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	AA	4923290	5/8/1990	Brinkmeyer et al.			
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OTHER ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)

	CA	Sandel et al., "Automatic Polarisation Mode Dispersion Compensation in 40 Gbit/s Optical Transmission System", Electronics Letters, 12 th November 1998, Vol. 34, No. 23

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